

## SPAULDING HOLDS TITLE

Again Won Championship of Northern Basketball League

MONTPELIER DOWNED BY A 23-18 SCORE

A Hard-Fought Game Was Played on Neutral Floor at Morrisville

All doubt as to the rightful holders of the Northern league basketball championship was erased last night at the Peoples academy gymnasium at Morrisville when Spaulding, in one of the cleanest and swiftest played games ever witnessed between two high school teams, defeated Montpelier high, with 23 to 18 as the final tally after 40 minutes of strenuous playing. Both teams fought hard to win and displayed some fine team work seasoned with considerable vim and vigor.

Though Spaulding gained the lead from the start it was a grand upset after the contest, as Montpelier at two stages of the game was but one point in the rear and one basket would give her the lead. However, these points did not come at the most opportune moments; neither did Smith of Montpelier make as many points as he might have had he not misjudged the basket while shooting fouls. Ten fouls were called on each team during the entire game, McHardy eging the ball seven times out of ten and Smith four out of the same number.

The gallery which surrounds the hall was filled with spectators long before the whistle for the start was given and many people were turned away owing to the inability to furnish even standing room. Among the throng which was present were people from various parts of the state, while Barre and Montpelier easily carried the majority of the crowd. And among that majority were some very capable voices that made the hall ring with cheers for the team they hoped would win.

At 8 o'clock Referee James Mathahan, considered the most impartial and capable man on basketball decisions in this state, put his lips to the metal that hushed the crowd and held them in suspense until the ball was flying around the hall, first in the hands of one and then the other. After a brief period of playing one of the Capital city boys shot for the basket but missed his aim, whereupon, it passed around until McHardy gained an opportunity to send it through the meshes for the first time of the evening. The ball then remained neutral for a while until two fouls were called on Montpelier, proving in both instances points for the victors. O'Dell, after some clever dodging and passing, managed to appropriate two units for his team. Two fouls called on Spaulding caused their supporters to be encouraged but Lillie, who was now going fine, and Carpenter, the staunch offensive guard, shot two baskets. Smith, the Montpelier right forward, and Donnelly, the fast guard, put forth much energy in an effort to overcome the slight margin of their opponents, which was but one point at the end of the first period, then 9 to 8 in Spaulding's favor.

Second Period Started with Rush. With a rush for their positions after five minutes of rest, the game was resumed by 10 lads who played as if to save their lives; and intense interest and enthusiasm was inspired in the hearts of the ardent followers of the game which acted as a stimulant to the players. J. Young for Spaulding and O'Dell of Montpelier proved to be important factors during the evening, the former spoiling many plays besides eging the ball twice from difficult angles. O'Dell covered much of the floor playing. Considerable excitement was aroused as the time passed and neared the completion of the game, everyone looking for the possibilities to happen but the long awaited whistle sounded by the timekeeper ended all uncertainty. Many rushed onto the floor to congratulate the victors, brandishing at the same time the cup that will rest for one more year at least in the Spaulding assembly hall. The defeated team accepted the re-

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sults in a manner that showed good sportsmanship. Of the Spaulding basketball team, two players, Lillie and Young, graduate with the '19 class in June; of Montpelier but one man, Mills, the center, goes out. Both have some promising substitutes to fill the vacancies next year.

Lineup: Spaulding. Montpelier. Carpenter, lg. Smith. Brown, rg. O'Dell. Lillie, c. Mills. Young, lf. Donnelly. McHardy, rf. Whitecomb. Baskets, by O'Dell 3, McHardy 2, Smith 2, Young 2, Lillie 2, Carpenter, Brown, Mills, Donnelly; fouls shot by McHardy 7, Smith 4; personal fouls made by Smith 3, Carpenter 2, O'Dell 2, Brown, Lillie; referee, James Mathahan, St. Albans; scorers, Smith and Wells; timers, Gordon and Jangraw; time, two 20-minute periods.

Free dance to students, faculty and alumni in assembly hall to-night at 7:30. Come out and celebrate.

## RELAY RACES FURNISH MOST ENTHUSIASM

Never So Many High-Class Quartets Have Been Entered as at University of Pennsylvania Carnival.

Philadelphia, April 25.—Chief interest in the University of Pennsylvania's relay carnival to-day centered in the one-, two- and four-mile national championship relay races. Although faster teams probably have been seen in these events, never have so many high-class quartets been entered. Added interest was given all these races because of the competition between eastern and western teams, several of which included champions in their various classes.

The entries in the one-mile race include Nebraska, the western champions; Pennsylvania, Pittsburg, Missouri, Cornell, Massachusetts Tech., Dartmouth and Princeton. The two-mile race includes Notre Dame, the western champions; Cornell, Columbia, Harvard and Chicago. Chicago, the western champions; Cornell and Lafayette appear to be the favorites in the four-mile race, although Princeton, Harvard and Pennsylvania all have fast quartets. Dresser of Cornell, the intercollegiate two-mile titleholder; McCosh, Chicago, one- and two-mile western champion, and Kleinspehn, Lafayette, mile intercollegiate titleholder, will be pitted against each other in the last mile of this event.

In addition to the relays there were a number of special events, both on the track and in the field with some of the best athletes of both the east and the west entered. The program also included relay races for high and preparatory schools and a number of class races for colleges.

## EDITOR WALTER HONORED.

Tendered a Complimentary Banquet by His Employees.

St. Johnsbury, April 25.—The birthday to-day of Charles T. Walter, managing editor and publisher of the St. Johnsbury Republican, was ushered in by a complimentary dinner given him last night at the Star restaurant by his employees. When Mr. Walter arrived at the Star his employees were gathered around a flower-decorated table and he was led to the place of honor. A few weeks ago the Republican celebrated its 35th birthday.

Mr. Walter was its first editor, coming when it was founded, fresh from Bates college. He was graduated from Bates in 1885 and three years later the college conferred on him the degree of master of arts. The editor of the Republican has been a lifelong Republican and one of the party leaders in this section. He has served on the Republican state committee and was secretary of civil and military affairs in 1904-1906, under the late Governor Charles J. Bell.

Mr. Walter's home is at Lyndon, the family home of Mrs. Walter, who was Miss Mabel Hall, daughter of the late Dudley P. Hall. There are four children, Miss Dorothy Walter of Washington, D. C., Mrs. Walter Nelson, who lives on the Walter ancestral farm in East Burke, Edward Hall Walter of Norwich university and Miss Alice Ambler Walter. Mr. and Mrs. Walter have one grandchild, Elizabeth Brockway Nelson, of East Burke.

## FOG, ICE AND WIND.

Seem to Be Conspiring Against British Airmen.

St. Johnsbury, N. F., April 25.—The British airmen, who have been waiting here for two weeks for favorable weather conditions to attempt a flight across the Atlantic, apparently have resigned themselves to a long delay.

Observers at Cape Fear and at Signal Hill this morning reported the fog so thick that they could not start. Great ice fields were reported to be extending for miles off the coast, the wind from the northeast, packing the ice inshore.

## EXPLOSION KILLED 60 MEXICANS.

Who Were at Work in a Mine Shaft in State of Guerrero.

Mexico City, April 25 (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—Meager and long delayed reports from Chilpancingo, capital of the state of Guerrero, tell of an explosion of dynamite in the mouth of a mine near here, which resulted in the death of more than 60 workers, ten of whom were at work in the mouth of the shaft.

Thirty-five bodies, it is said, have been discovered thus far in the interior workings.

## Conquests.

Patience—Do you believe the war was one of conquest? Patrice—Well, I know a lot of girls who got husbands by it.—Yonkers Statesman.

## BREAK WITH PAST ARRIVED

And British "Conventional Minds" Find It Disturbing

NEW WORLD ORDER MAY BE EXTENDED

One Other Paper Thinks the Adriatic Difficulty Is Moving to a Solution

London, April 25.—The majority of afternoon newspapers continued to-day to devote their leading articles to discussions of President Wilson's statement relative to the Italian situation.

The Westminster Gazette asserts that "this is the first test case of the league of nations." It is undoubtedly the break with the past which conventional minds find disturbing. Yet, if the new world order to which we are pledged is to be more than a name, we may make up our mind that we shall all on occasion have to submit to the process now applied by Italy.

The Pall Mall Gazette thinks the Adriatic difficulty is moving toward a solution, "in which case," it says, "President Wilson will have no reason to repeat the innovation by which he called in the judgment of a wider tribunal than the council of four."

## WAITING TO COME HOME.

Incidents in Army Life of Cook H. E. Bassett.

Mrs. H. S. Bassett of 38 Fairview street has received lately two letters from her son, Cook H. E. Bassett, of Battery A, 302 F. A., telling of his recent experiences and of his approaching home-coming.

The first letter was written March 2, from Camp de Longe, France, and says: "I had a five-day furlough last week and spent most of the time in Bordeaux. It was great to get away from army life and live as a civilian for a while. Living is high here, but we get by quite reasonably at the Y. M. C. A. hotel."

"There are five museums here, Roman and Greek sculpture of ages B. C., first-class paintings, products of colonies of France in different parts of the world, collection of plants, of mounted animals, of old armor and weapons and a cave of mummies."

"The moving pictures don't compare with American shows. I received your Christmas box O. K., as I have written previously. The contents were enjoyed immensely and were in good condition. I sent a package some time ago with unloaded shells of France, America and Germany. Let me know if you got them. I am thinking of trying to get transferred into a motor truck company and stay over for a while. It will come in handy to know how to handle a truck and I don't mind staying in France if I've a good job. We are still waiting to sail, but there is nothing certain about the date yet."

"The other day, Saturday, we were inspected by General Pershing himself. I didn't go out, as dinner had to be prepared. However, I have seen movies of the gentleman, as well as photos."

"We have some pretty good movies at the 'Y' and sometimes a show. Last night there was a vaudeville by the 58 C. A. C. It was a laugh all through. Tuesday some Chinese pulled off some entertainment."

The second letter was written March 26 from Pauillac, France, the heading of the letter being, "On active service with the U. S. naval forces operating in European waters," concerning which he says: "Don't infer from the heading on the paper that I have joined the navy. We have just gone through a big snarl of red tape called the delouser and are now at an embarkation port, waiting our turn to come home. It will be soon, I guess."

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"The sailors don't use mess kits, as we do, but have white dishes resembling heavy hotel ware. Their tables are all set and the food on them when they come in, but we give each man his allowance as he passes the serving table into the mess hall. Two batteries, or a battalion, are messing together now."

"The other day I mixed up, rolled out and cut 945 biscuits during the afternoon. Another helped tin them and bake. There are 310 men in all and you can see they eat when we cut up two hind quarters of beef to make steak for today's dinner. This is my afternoon off, but the cooks on duty have the task of making about 650 doughnuts this afternoon."

"I saw Grover Kenebeck the other day. He told his folks some time ago not to write, as he expected to get home soon, and consequently hasn't had any mail for a long time. "I wrote a while ago that it was spring and the leaves starting to grow, also that peas were four to six inches high. There are all kinds of rain, but still they call it sunny France."

## AUSTRIANS ELATED OVER INDIA'S ACT

But the Newspapers Say That It Is Impossible for Italy to Withdraw from Peace Conference.

Vienna, Thursday, April 24 (By the Associated Press).—The withdrawal of the Italian delegation from the peace conference was received here with elation, the people generally being glad to see the allies in conflict with each other. The Neue Freie Presse says: "Premier Orlando is holding probably, in order to square his position in Italy toward the interventionists. It is impossible for Italy to withdraw, as she is fed by America."

The newspaper adds: "President Wilson's position is based on the idea of right and justice and it is hoped he will act in the same way toward Bohemia and Tyrol, where the people will be driven to desperation if subjected to Czech or Italian control."

## ARE EXPECTING TROUBLE.

Authorities at Buenos Aires Are Preparing to Meet It.

Buenos Aires, Friday, April 25.—The authorities here are preparing for labor disturbances similar to those in January, and firemen armed with rifles were placed at all corners in the banking district this afternoon, as well as about the government palace and other federal buildings. As yet there are no signs of violence. Several organizations of armed citizens met to-night to make final arrangements



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